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SUMMARY: FRANCE HAS NOW CONCURRED IN INVITATION TO KUWAIT, QATAR AND UNITED ARAB IMIRATES TO SEND OBSERVERS TO SUBJECT MEETING, LIFTING GOF RESERVATION REPORTED REF A. ACTION ADDRESSEES MAY PROCEED WITH INVITATIONS. END SUMMARY

1. MISSION DISCUSSED TODAY (SEPTEMBER 18) WITH FRENCH NATO DEL THE PROCEDURAL POINT RAISED BY MANET (REF A) ON INVITATIONS TO KUWAIT, QATAR AND UNITED ARAB IMIRATES TO ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING. WE RECAPITULATED EVENTS
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AS FOLLOWS: U.S. INTENTION IN INVITING ON ITS OWN RESPONSIBILITY AS PILOT COUNTRY THESE THREE ADDITIONAL NON-NATO COUNTRIES TO SEND OBSERVERS TO SUBJECT MEETING WAS IN ORDER FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE INVITATIONS AT THIS

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LATE DATE WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY NECESSITATED BY
FULL TWO WEEK WAITING PERIOD FOR ALLIED SILENT CONSENT
AT NATO. ELEVENTH HOUR SUGGESTION FOR THESE ADDITIONAL IN-
VITATIONS CAME FROM UK (REF C) AND, AS DISCUSSED LATE LAST WEEK
WITH STUYCK-TAILLANDIER OF FRENCH MFA, U.S. AN-
TICIPATED NO OBJECTION FROM OTHER ALLIES IF FRENCH HOSTS HAD
NONE (AS INDEED THEY DID NOT, ACCORDING STUYCK-TAILLANDIER).
ACCORDINGLY, IN INTEREST OF TIME, WE PROPOSED TO PROCEED
WITH INVITATIONS ON OUR OWN RESPONSIBILITY AND TO COMPLETE
FORMALITIES AT NATO IN DUE COURSE IF THESE THREE COUNTRIES
WERE INTERESTED IN BECOMING REGULAR OBSERVERS. FYI: WE
RECALL THAT CCMS PILOT AND HOST COUNTRIES, INCLUDING FRANCE,
HAVE TAKEN SIMILAR INITIATIVE ON OCCASION IN THE PAST AND INCLUDED
AN OUTSIDE OBSERVER ON INFORMAL, ON-SHOT BASIS AS GUEST OF MEETING
ORGANIZERS, COMPLETING OBSERVER FORMALITIES, IF DESIRED,
LATER. END FYI.

2. FRENCH DELOFF HAS CONTACTED MANET AND JUST CONFIRMED
TO US THAT MANET IN FACT HAD NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO THESE
INVITATIONS (AS REPORTED REF A) BUT PREFERRED THAT USUAL
PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AT NATO FOR CCMS OBSERVERS BE
MET.

3. AS IT HAPPENS, PROTRACTED CONSULTATION WITH
FRENCH ON THIS MATTER HAS BROUGHT US TO POINT WHERE
ALLIED SILENT CONSENT RECEIVED ANYWAY. DATE
OF ORIGINAL UK CIRCULAR NOTE AT NATO PROPOSING
INVITATIONS WAS SEPTEMBER 4 (REF C) AND TWO WEEK
PERIOD FOR SILENT CONSENT EXPIRED C.O.B. TODAY
(SEPTEMBER 18) WITH NO ALLIED OBJECTIONS VOICED.
WE POINTED THIS OUT TO FRENCH DEL WHICH RELAYED
INFO TO MANET. THEY HAVE JUST INFORMED US THAT MANET
HAS NO FURTHER PROBLEM AND IS SATISFIED THAT INVITATIONS ARE IN
ORDER AND THAT THESE COUNTRIES CAN NOW BE INVITED TO ATTEND
ODEILLO MEETING ON SAME REGULAR OBSERVER BASIS AS OTHER EARLIER
NON-NATO INVITEES.

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4. ACTION ADDRESSEES MAY THUS PROCEED WITH INVITATION
PARA 1 REF B, DELETING PROCEDURAL PROVISO PARA 2, EXCEPT OF
COURSE MATTER OF INVITEES' PARTICIPATION AT OWN EXPENSE.
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